

**UTAH LABOR COMMISSION  
MINE SAFETY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday March 23, 2017 – 9:30 A.M.  
Regular Meeting and Century Link Conferencing  
Carbon County Events Center  
310 South Fair Grounds Road  
Price, Utah 84501**

**The following Advisory Council members were in attendance:**

Kent Houghton, Chairman  
Kim McCarter, Professor, University of Utah Department of Mining Engineering  
Kristine Pankow, University of Utah, Associate Director of Seismograph Stations  
Gary Leaming, Safety Director, Bowie Resources, SUFCO Mine  
David Hibbs, Western Coal Division Manager, Utah American Energy Utah,  
Pratt Rodgers, Professor, University of Utah, Department of Mining Engineering  
Mark Compton, President, Utah Mining Association  
John Baza, Division Director, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil Gas and Mining

**Absent:**

Bruce Riches, Captain, Department of Public Safety  
Greg Funk, Emery County Sheriff  
Steven C Childs, Experienced Miner, Skyline Mine  
Mike Dalpiaz, International Vice President, United Mine Workers of America  
Terri Watkins, Chief Nursing Officer, Castle View Hospital  
Clark Atwood, Safety Director, Alton Coal Development  
Randy Mabbutt, Instructor, Utah State University Eastern – Mining Department  
John Byars, Manager of Engineering, Bowie Resources, SUFCO Mine  
J D McKenzie, Coal Mine Engineer, Bureau of Land Management

**Legislative Liaison present:**

None

**Others present:**

None

- 1. Kent Houghton, Chairman – Meeting called to order at 9:35 A.M.**
  - Approval of the last meetings minutes.
  - There was not a quorum of members present to vote on the last meeting minutes.
- 2. Report to MSTAC-** Kent Houghton addressed the meeting and gave a summary of the activities of the Office of Coal Mine Safety for the quarter. He visited every coal mine in the state during the quarter and met with their respective safety departments. He gave an overview of the mining industry and coal mine safety in the state. He attended the Sevier County and Emery County LEPC meetings. He participated in a table top emergency exercise at the Rhino Mine.

3. **Old Business** – There was no old business to bring forward...
4. **New Business** – Kim McCarter wondered if it would be possible for the members to vote on the meeting minutes by polling the membership via email.
  - Kent Houghton will research this as a possibility.
5. **Adjourn** – There was no further business to discuss and there were no objections.
  - Kent Houghton declared the meeting adjourned at 9:52 A.M.
6. **Next Meeting** – The next meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2017 at the Carbon County Events Center, at 9:30 A.M...